

# Overview of the evaluation of management procedures in the IOTC and other tRFMOs

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- ▶ COM tasked SC with MSE work
- ▶ SC tasked WPM with development of MSE
  1. Develop OMs and HCRs
  2. Test draft MPs
- ▶ WPM04 2012 MSE launch
- ▶ WPM MSE Workshops 2013
- ▶ WPM MSE Workshop 2014
- ▶ WPM05 DEC 2014
- ▶ Res. 13/10 On interim T&LRPs and a decision framework



# How are we doing it?

- ▶ Use of simulation tools to carry out experiments
- ▶ A “real” system vs. perceived one
- ▶ Assess the robustness of management to uncertainties
- ▶ Success at achieving objectives

- ▶ OMP: Operational Management Procedure, a.k.a.
- ▶ MSE: Management Strategy Evaluation

*Simulate the **expected** performance of a management plan given a set of **observations, uncertainties and assumptions** about the system. (After Rademeyer et al., 2007)*



# Components of MSE

- ▶ OM: Operating Model

Statistical representation of the real system employed in the simulation trials to compare against how the system is perceived by the MP. Should incorporate our best knowledge and the key uncertainties, quantified as best as possible.

- ▶ Conditioning

Process by which the OM is constructed, usually via an statistical procedure.

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- ▶ MP: Management Procedure

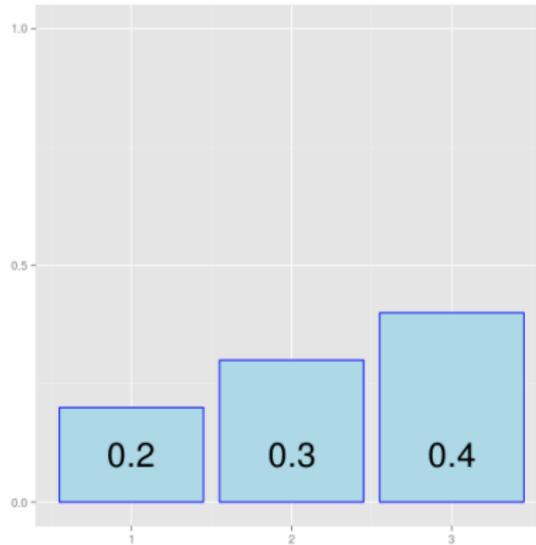
The combination of data collection, analysis (including or not an stock assessment), and decision rule that provides one or more management quantities (TAC, effort, . . . ). Must be simulation tested to be robust to uncertainties.

- ▶ HCR: Harvest Control Rule

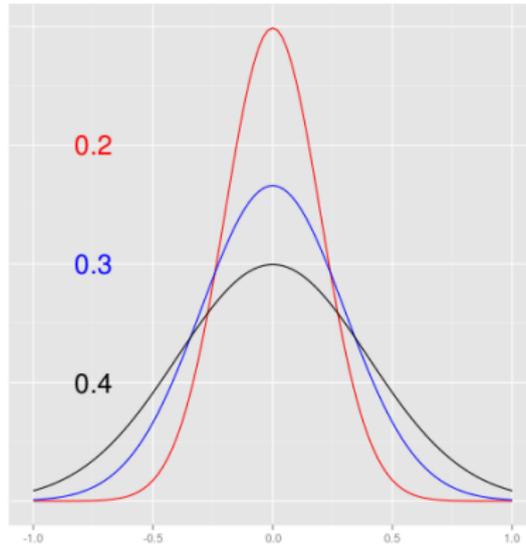
An algorithm to propose or decide on the appropriate management action given the level of certain indicators, in order to achieve some pre-specified objectives.

- ▶ Stock assessment as starting point
- ▶ Identify main uncertainties
- ▶ Model stock under various scenarios
- ▶ Add all uncertainty in stock status
- ▶ Test MPs

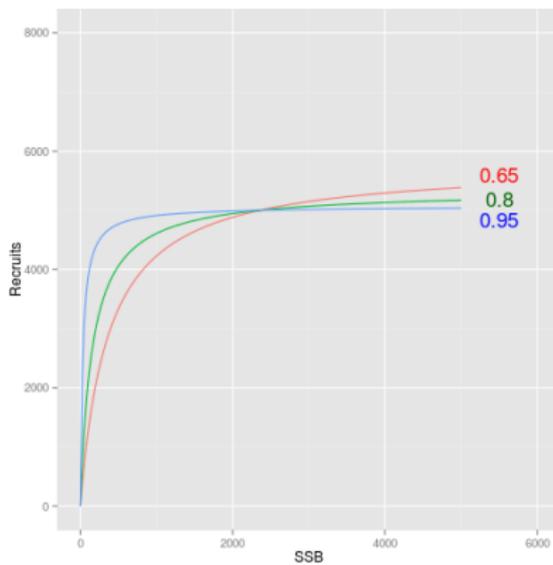
# Natural Mortality



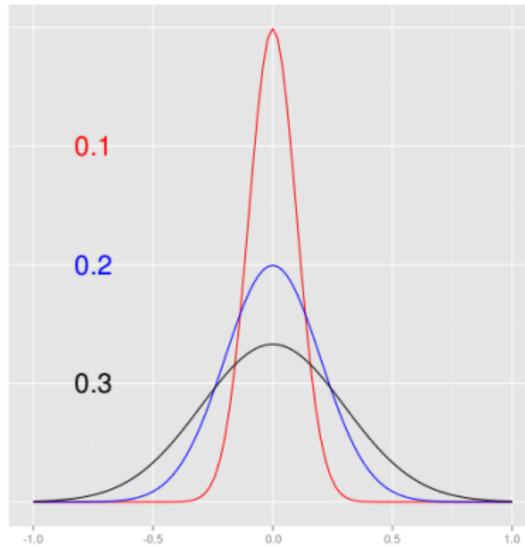
# Variability in recruitment



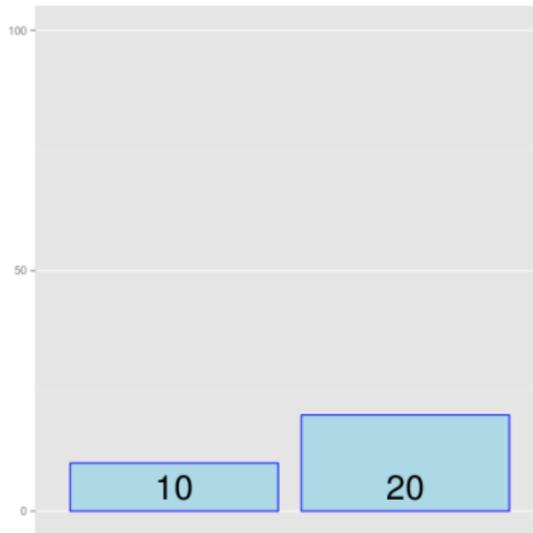
# Steepness in recruitment



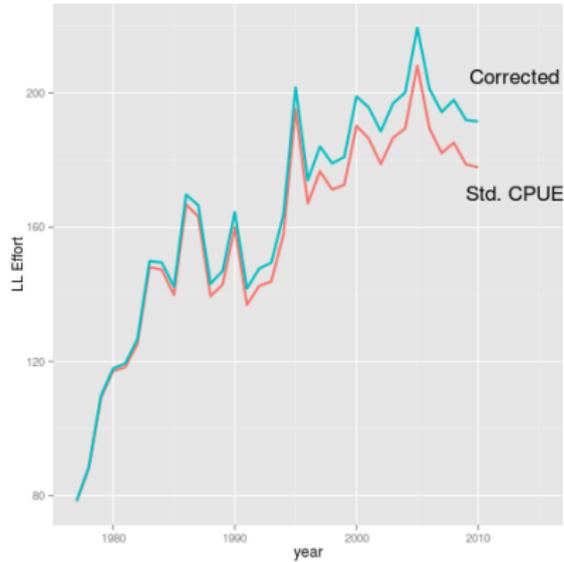
# Variance in LL CPUE



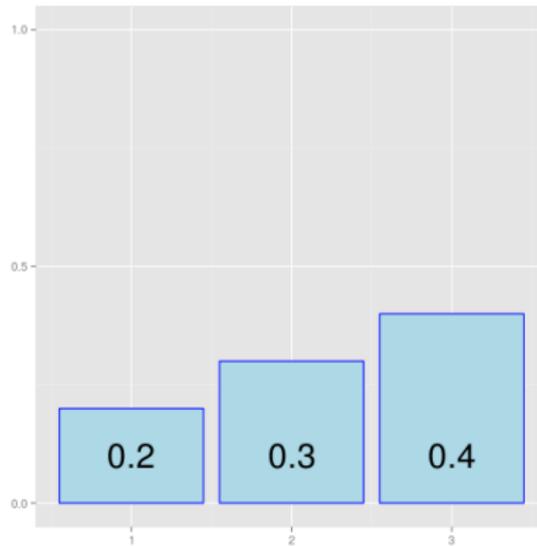
# Weight of length sampling data



# Changes in LL catchability



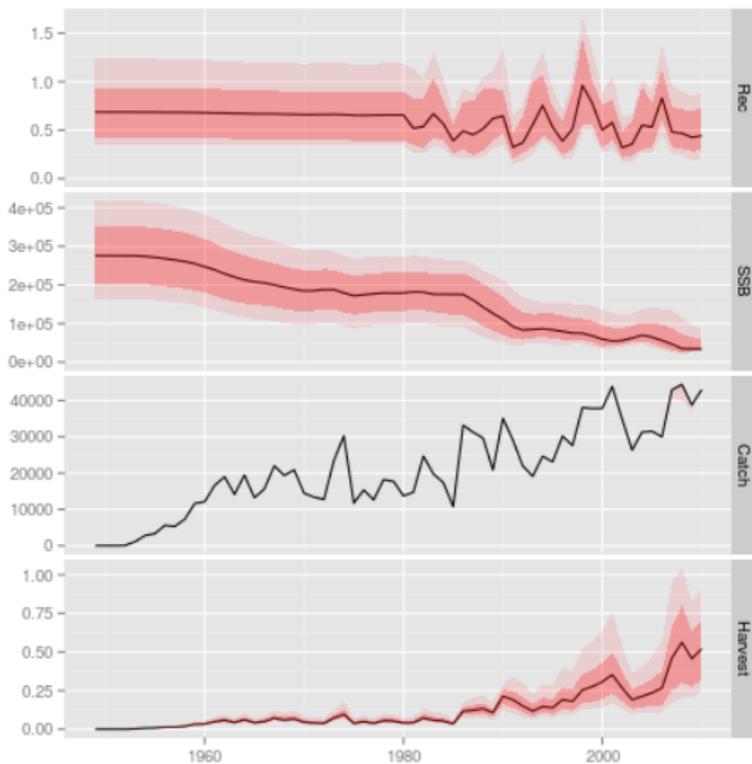
# Shape of LL selectivity



Factor	Levels
<b>M</b> , natural mortality at age	0.2, 0.3, 0.4
<b>sigmaR</b> , variance in recruitment	0.2, 0.4, 0.6
<b>h</b> , stock-recruit steepness	0.65, 0.8, 0.95
<b>CV(CPUE)</b> , CV in LL CPUE series	0.1, 0.2, 0.3
<b>ESS</b> , weight to length data in lkhd	10, 20
<b>TWN LL Q</b> , change in catchability	1.00, 1.0025
<b>TWN LL select</b> , selectivity TWN LL	Logarithmic, Double normal

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# ALB OM





# ALB Test Objectives

## TARGETS

- ▶  $SSB = SSB@MSY$
- ▶  $F = F@MSY$

## LIMITS

- ▶  $SSBLim: 0.4 * SSB@MSY$
- ▶  $FLim: 1.4 * F@MSY$



# ALB Test Objectives

## EXAMPLE OBJECTIVES

- ▶  $P(SSB \geq SSB@MSY) > 60\%$
- ▶  $P(F \leq F@MSY) > 60\%$
- ▶  $P(SSB > SSBLim) > 95\%$
- ▶  $P(F < FLim) > 95\%$

## EXAMPLE PERFORMANCE MEASURES

- ▶  $P(SSB_{y,end} \geq SSB@MSY)$
- ▶  $P(F_{y,end} \geq F@MSY)$
- ▶ Median  $C_y$ , Var  $C_y$

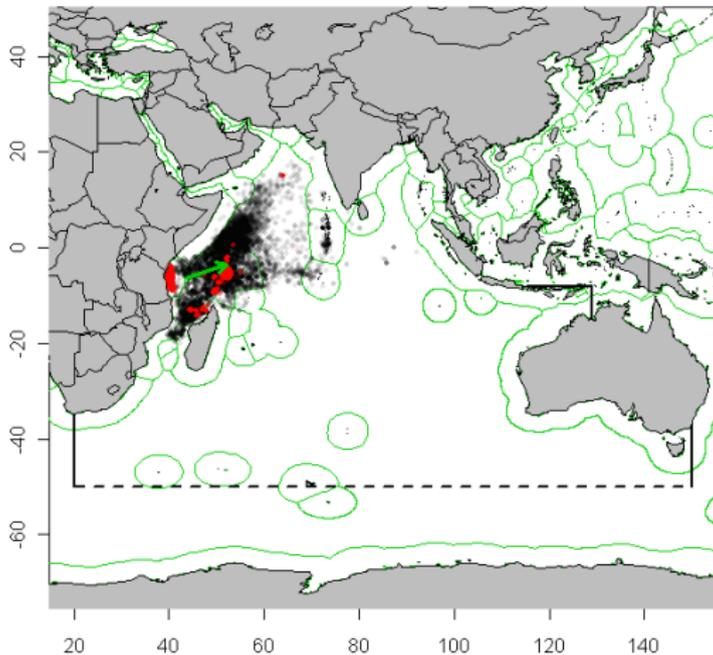


## Current status: SKJ

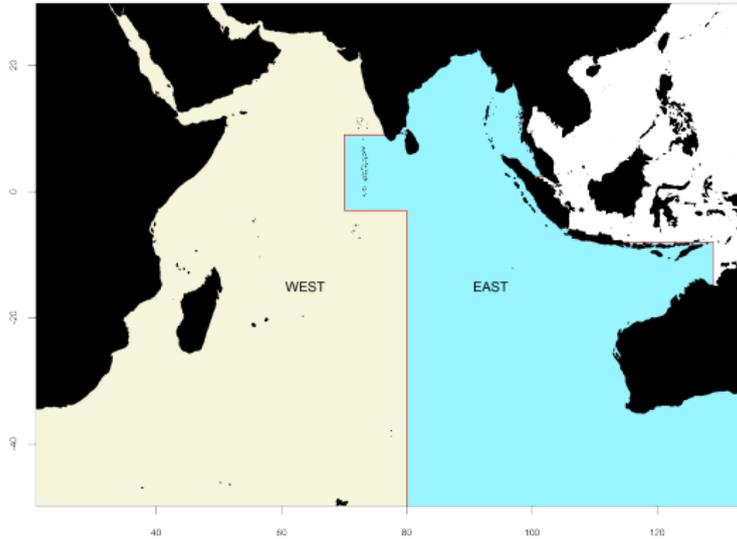
- ▶ Work in progress
- ▶ Tailor-made OM
  - ▶ Quaterly 1950-2013
  - ▶ PS, PL, GN, LI, OT
  - ▶ Length based
- ▶ Three regions:
  - ▶ Western
  - ▶ Maldives
  - ▶ Eastern

# SKJ: spatial structure

SKJ Tag Movements



# SKJ: spatial structure





# Developments: BET & YFT

- ▶ Plans for work to start soon
- ▶ Link SKJ + YFT + BET OMs and MPs



# WPM Workplan (ALB, SKJ)

- ▶ MAY-JUN: Refine models
- ▶ JUN: Finalise OMs
- ▶ JUL-SEP: Evaluate simple HCRs
- ▶ OCT: MSE small group Workshop
- ▶ OCT-NOV: Further runs
- ▶ DEC: WPM, SC
- ▶ MPD in 2015?

### ICCAT

- ▶ Evaluation of RPs and HCRs
- ▶ Dialogue SC-COM
- ▶ BFT, ALB

### WCPFC

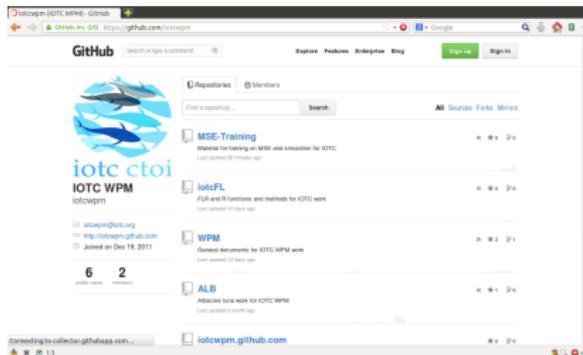
- ▶ Simulation of HCRs without feedback
- ▶ Limit RPs



# t-RFMO MSE WG

- ▶ Setup after Kobe II
- ▶ Working online as exchange of ideas

## Working Party on Methods - IOTC



<http://github.com/iotcwpm>

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